# IMPORT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION FOR SHEEP AND GOATS EXPORTED FROM THE UNITED STATES

The animals must be accompanied by a U.S. Origin Health Certificate issued by a veterinarian authorized by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and endorsed by a Veterinary Service (VS) veterinarian. The certificate shall contain the name and address of both the consignor and consignee an complete identification of the animals to be exported. Additional information shall include:

# **CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS**

- 1. The United States has been free of contagious caprine pleuropneumonia, sheep pox, goat pox, bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE), foot-and-mouth disease, African swine fever, and peste des petits ruminants during the last 5 years prior to export.
- 2. The animals originated from a State that has been free of bluetongue during the last 3 years prior to export.
- 3. The animals originated from a county that has been free of scrapie during the last 5 years prior to export.
- 4. The animals to be exported are not affected with or have not been exposed to scrapie, nor have they been on any farm that was a source flock premises. The animals are not the sires or dams or full or half sisters or brothers of any animal affected with scrapie.
- 5. The animals originated from a premises that has been free of maedi-visna, pulmonary adenomatosis, caprine arthritis encephalitis (CAE), border disease, Q-fever, listeriosis, tuberculosis, brucellosis, and Johne's disease during the last 3 years prior to export.
- 6. The animals have resided on the farm of origin for at least 6 months, or since birth if they are under 6 months of age.
- 7. The animals for export have not had access to feed or feed supplements derived from internal organs and tissues of ruminants imported from any country affected with BSE.
- 8. The animals were vaccinated for anthrax during the USDA-approved export isolation (quarantine). (The date of vaccination and the name of the products must be mentioned on the bilingual health certificate.)
- 9. The animals were treated for internal parasites during the USDA-approved export isolation (quarantine). (The date of treatment and the name of the product must be mentioned on the bilingual health certificate).

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# **TEST REQUIREMENTS**

The animals were held in a USDA-approved export isolation (quarantine) facility for at least 21 days and were negative to the following tests:

1. Brucellosis: Standard tube or standard plate test at 1:50 dilution

2. Tuberculosis: Intradermal caudal fold test using bovine PPD tuberculin

3. Johne's disease: Complement fixation test (CF) or Elisa test

4. Chlamydiosis: CF test at 1:5 dilution

5. Maedi-visna: Agar-gel immunodiffusion (AGID) test

6. CAE: AGID test

7. Brucella ovis infection: CF test at 1:10 dilution (required for sheep only)

# **EMBARKATION STATEMENT**

At the port of embarkation, a VS port veterinarian shall attach the "Certificate of Inspection of Export Animals" (VS Form 17-37) to the U.S. Origin Health Certificate. The 17-37 must show:

- 1. the name and address of the consignor;
- 2. the name and address of the consignee;
- 3. the number and species of animals to be shipped; and
- 4. a statement that the animals were given a careful veterinary inspection at the port of embarkation and found free from evidence of communicable disease and exposure thereto within 24 hours of exportation.

Note: Please call Patti Linkous or Dr. Faizi at (301) 734-8383 for the blank bilingual health certificate to be used for shipment of sheep and goats to The Russian Federation.